

BOROUGH OF QUARRYVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

Borough Council held its Regular Meeting on the above date at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building. Council President Joy Kemper called the meeting to order with the following persons present: Council Members Susan Noel, Brian Braightmeyer, James Kreider and Diane Hastings. Police Chief Clark Bearinger and Borough Manager/Secretary Scott Peiffer were also present at the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Trunk or Treat Night: Members of the Quarryville Fire Company presented a plan for a Trunk or Treat Night at Memorial Park including a mini parade for October 17, 2020 from 5 pm – 8pm. Council felt that it was a great idea and encouraged them to reserve the park for the event.

Police Department: Ten Borough residents addressed Council during public comment in regard to the police department. Residents encouraged Council not to cut hours of coverage and not to eliminate part-time officers.

Quarryville Library: Anthony Cavallaro, President of the Library Board of Directors addressed Council on the status of the library as well as funding needs of the library.

Quarry Ridge Easement Waiver Request: Devon Groff of 112 Northview Lane requested a waiver to place a shed and fence within the stormwater easement to the rear of his property. Council had discussion regarding the reasons as well as the rules of the Quarry Ridge Homeowners Association. The Borough Manager explained the reasons for the setback numbers and that the subdivision plans for Quarry Ridge show the easement and that it is a recorded document signed by Borough Council. The Manager relayed information from the Zoning Officer who suggested that an agreement allowing structures to be placed in the easement be prepared, executed and recorded before any permit is issued. The costs associated with this agreement should be payed for by the applicant/requester. After more discussion a motion to allow a waiver for a shed and fence to be placed in the easement after an executed and recorded agreement payed for by Mr. Groff is in place was made by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING-AUGUST 3, 2020: It was moved by Councilwoman Noel, seconded by Councilwoman Hastings that the minutes of the August 3, 2020 Regular Council Meeting be approved. The motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-WORK SESSION - AUGUST 24, 2020: It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer that the minutes of the August 24, 2020 Work Session be approved. The motion was approved.

EXECUTIVE MEETING-AUGUST 31, 2020: An executive meeting was held on August 31, 2020 with following in attendance: Joy Kemper, Susan Noel, Richard Aument, Jim Kreider, Brian Braightmeyer, Diane Hastings and Mayor Joseph Bledsoe. The meeting was called to order by President Joy Kemper at 6:30 PM. The meeting was held for discussion of personnel issues. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:

Northview Lane Maintenance Agreement: Providence Township has agreed to the \$800.00 annual payment for the street maintenance of the Township's section of Northview Lane. The Township has also agreed to reimburse the Borough for legal expenses (\$216.00) incurred for the preparation of the agreement. A motion to accept the agreement was made by Councilman Braightmeyer and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings. The motion passed unanimously.

Planning Commission Resignation: The Manager read a resignation letter presented by Bill Koch Sr. Mr. Koch has served as the Chairman of the Planning Commission for many years. Mr. Koch's resignation was due to the Koch family moving out of the Borough. A motion to accept his resignation effective immediately was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilwoman Noel. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Gen Senior Center Sponsorship: The Borough Manager received a request from Next Gen Senior Center requesting sponsorship for their 27th Annual Fall Fest to be held on October 2, 2020. A motion to provide a bronze level sponsorship at a cost of \$250.00 was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

AARP Mural Grant: The Borough Manager announced that we have received a Community Challenge Grant from AARP for \$850.00. The money will be used for painting a mural on the bandstand walls facing the playground at Huffnagle Park.

Municipal Pension Distress Score: The Manager announced that we have received a municipal pension distress score of 0. Our current funded ratio is 93%.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND MONTHLY BILLS – AUGUST 31, 2020: Council received the financial report and the bills for August, 2020. It was moved by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Kreider that the financial report be received and the monthly bills for August in the amount of \$107,150.82 be ratified. The vote was taken and the motion to ratify was approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Bearinger reviewed the Police Department report for August. Chief Bearinger also highlighted several serious calls in August.

ZONING OFFICER REPORT: Council accepted the report as submitted with no comment.

QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH AUTHORITY: The minutes from the August 18, 2020 meeting were provided for review. The Manager announced that the Authority has been

awarded a DCED Small Water and Sewer grant in the amount of \$177,000.00. The funds will be used to replace the aging telemetry system with a new SCADA system.

STREETS/INFRASTRUCTURE/PARKS COMMITTEE: The minutes from the August 25, 2020 meeting were provided for review. An update regarding North Lime Street paving was presented by the Manager. The paving was completed on September 3, 2020. Shoulder work and line stripping will be completed the week of September 14, 2020.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: The Manager read a letter of recognition from the Quarryville Library thanking the Borough for their contribution of \$14,000.00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 9:02 PM, Council President Kemper called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for a police personnel matter. Councilman Aument offered that motion and Councilman Braightmeyer seconded the motion. The motion to enter into Executive Session passed.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: At 9:25 PM Council returned to Regular Session.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:30 PM, Council President Kemper called for a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Hastings offered that motion with Councilwoman Noel seconding. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott E. Peiffer
Borough Manager/Secretary